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***Response to Amendment***

1. The reply filed on 4 April 2006 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The response to the election of species requirement is non-responsive, due to the fact that the applicant elected claims 1-7 and 9-10. It should be noted that claims 1-11 were cancelled in the preliminary amendment filed 1 July 2004, and claims 12-22 were added. Therefore, only claims 12-22 are pending. See 37 CFR 1.111.

Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

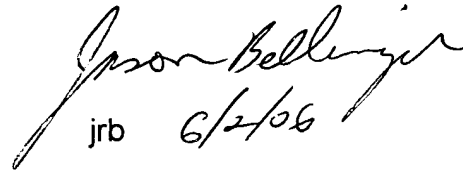
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